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Lesson 24: Too Little, Too Big

MATERIALS

Flash cards: *too*,
little, *so*

Flash cards:
complete set

Practice sheet

High-Frequency
word book

Game cards;
Game board;
Markers

High-Frequency
word book

Introduce the Words



3–5 minutes

Say: *We use some words a lot when we read and write. We call these words high-frequency words. Today you are going to learn three new high-frequency words: too, little, and so. We will also review words you have learned in other lessons.*

Hold up each flash card one at a time and tell the child the word. Then mix up the cards and ask the child to read each word without your help.

Use each new word one at a time in an oral sentence: *This hat is too big for me. This chair is too little for me. The bug is so tiny I can barely see it.* Ask the child to clap when he/she hears one of the words. After you say each sentence, ask the child to think of an oral sentence for each new high-frequency word.

Add the rest of the flash cards to the stack. Flash the cards several times and have the child say the words as quickly as he/she can.

Practice Writing the Words



5–10 minutes

Guide the child as he/she practices writing the new words and using them in sentences on the practice sheet.

Read the High-Frequency Word Book



5–10 minutes

Give the book to the child. Ask: *What is the title of the book? What is on the cover? What do you think the book will be about?*

Turn to the title page. Ask: *What is the title of the book? What do you see on this page? Now what do you think the book is about?*

Ask the child to turn to the next page and say: *Let's read the words together.* Ask the child to point to each word as the two of you read together. Guide the child's finger if he/she has trouble pointing to the right words. Point out that a picture names the last word.

Finally, ask the child to read the words by himself/herself as he/she points to each word.

Repeat this procedure with each page. After the last page, say: *You did very well. Now I want you to read the whole book to me.*

Play the High-Frequency Word game



5–10 minutes

Read each word with the child. Then place the words face down in a stack. Have the child turn over a card and read the word. If the word is read correctly, the child places the card at the bottom of the stack and moves the number of spaces indicated on the card. If the child reads the word incorrectly, he/she cannot move on the game board. It is then your turn to draw a card.

Home Connection

Encourage the child to take the book home to read to a parent or sibling. Emphasize the importance of practice. You can also suggest the child look through newspapers or magazines at home and highlight the high-frequency words learned in the lesson.



too

little

so

this

is

it

these

are



will

them

they

big

like

how

when

many



I can write words.

too too

little little

so so

I can make sentences.

It is _____ big, a  will like it.
COW

These  are _____ big.
shoes

These  are too _____ .
pants

too

5

little

5

so

5

when

3

many

4

than

4

find

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them

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have

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one

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two

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come

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that

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this

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